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Tuesday, 10 December 2002

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 4660th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Protection of civilians in armed conflict

Report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council on the protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/2002/1300)

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m. . . . . 71st plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

3 p.m. . . . . 72nd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Oceans and the law of the sea: report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its third meeting (A/57/80) . . . . . [25]

(a) Oceans and the law of the sea

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/57/57, A/57/57/Add.1)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/57/L.48)

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(b) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas/illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/57/459)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/57/L.49)

(c) Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stock: draft resolution (A/57/L.50)

Main Committees

Second Committee

3 p.m. . . . . 42nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Macroeconomic policy questions: international financial system and development [84 (e)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.4 and A/C.2/57/L.72

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation . . . . . [86]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.49 and A/C.2/57/L.65

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.12 and A/C.2/57/L.68

(c) Culture and development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.13 and A/C.2/57/L.63

Environment and sustainable development . . . . . [87]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further implementation of Agenda 21

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.45 and A/C.2/57/L.71

(b) International strategy for disaster reduction

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.21 and A/C.2/57/L.69

(e) Convention on Biological Diversity

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.18 and A/C.2/57/L.67

(f) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.19 and A/C.2/57/L.66

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields [92]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.28 and A/C.2/57/L.70

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on all outstanding draft proposals:

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco),Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.37 (item 84 (a)); A/C.2/57/L.10 (item 84 (c)); A/C.2/57/L.6 (item 84 (d)); and A/C.2/57/L.29 (item 94)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Marco Antonio Suazo (Honduras), Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.15 (item 86 (d)); A/C.2/57/L.33 (item 92); and A/C.2/57/L.36 (item 93)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Jan Kára (Czech Republic), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.40 and A/C.2/57/L.41 (item 87); A/C.2/57/L.38 (item 87 (a)); A/C.2/57/L.22 (item 87 (b)); and A/C.2/57/L.43 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/57/L.56) (item 87 (c)); A/C.2/57/L.47 (item 87 (c)); A/C.2/57/L.17 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/57/L.57) (item 87 (d)))

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Bruno van der Pluijm (Belgium), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.25 and A/C.2/57/L.27 (item 88); A/C.2/57/L.24 (item 89); and A/C.2/57/L.35 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/57/L.50) (item 90 (b))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 42nd meeting of the Second Committee.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Conclusion of informal consultations on agenda items 120 (United Nations common system (A/57/30, A/57/612 and A/C.5/57/16)) and 116 (Pattern of conferences (A/57/32, A/57/32/Corr.1, A/57/228, A/57/228/Add.1, A/57/228/Add.2, A/57/289, A/56/901, A/57/472, A/C.5/57/18 and A/C.5/57/21))

3 p.m. . . . . 32nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [111]

Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/57/85, A/57/16 and A/57/636)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 . . . . . [112]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.16/Rev.1: Future operations of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/57/24 and A/57/7/Add.18)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.7: Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (A/C.5/57/26 and A/57/7/Add.19)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/57/L.27: United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (A/C.5/57/30 and A/57/7/Add.21)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.48: The situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/57/27 and A/57/7/Add.23)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/57/L.20: The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/57/28 and A/57/7/Add.20)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.70: Khmer Rouge trials (A/C.5/57/29 and A/57/7/Add.22)

Conclusion of general discussion

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 134 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (A/57/619 and A/57/633)); 112 (Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: First performance report (A/57/616 and A/57/7/Add.16)); and 111 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/57/85, A/57/16 and A/57/636))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 32nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on religious and cultural understanding, harmony and cooperation (A/57/L.12) (organized by the delegation of Pakistan)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 21) (organized by the delegation of Denmark, on behalf of the European Union)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Informal consultations with co-sponsors and other interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (under agenda item 21 (a)) (organized by the delegation of Sweden)

2–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the Millennium Summit" (under agenda item 44) (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit) (organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the Millennium Summit" under agenda item 44, chaired by H.E. Ms. Jana Simonová, Deputy Chef de Cabinet, Office of the President of the General Assembly [All interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Second Committee

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.6 (item 84 (d)) (Enhancing international cooperation towards a durable solution to the external debt problem of developing countries)

9.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.27 (item 88), (Human Development Report)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposals A/C.2/57/L.40 (item 87) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its seventh special session); A/C.2/57/L.47 (item 87 (c)) (World Climate Change Conference); A/C.2/57/L.22 (item 87 (b)) (Natural disasters and vulnerability) and A/C.2/57/L.17 (item 87 (d)) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particular in Africa)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.36 (item 93) (High-level international intergovernmental consideration of Financing for Development)

10.30–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.33 (item 92) (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields)

11 a.m.–12 noon. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.43 (item 87 (c)) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.15 (item 86 (d)), (High-level dialogue on strengthening international Economic cooperation for development through partnership)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.41 (item 87), (Activities undertaken in preparations for the International Year of Freshwater, 2003)

1.15–2 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 10 December 2002

Group of 77 *(Second Committee : draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.22, A/C.2/57/L.40 and A/C.2/57/L.27)*

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting. . . . . Conference Room 9

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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African Union : African Group of the Whole

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting. . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

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Panel discussion on "New issues and challenges for the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea in the light of the adoption of the activities, targets and deadlines of the 2002 Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development"

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting. . . . . Conference Room 4

Panel discussion on "New issues and challenges for the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea in the light of the adoption of the activities, targets and deadlines of the 2002 Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development", co-sponsored by the Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts and Islands; the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO; the International Coastal and Ocean Organization (ICO); the Center for the Study of Marine Policy (CSMP); Oceana; the Wildlife Conservation Society; and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Tuesday, 10 December 2002

Room S-226

11.15 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Jose Luis Guterres of Timor-Leste (briefing on the ratification by Timor-Leste of seven international human rights treaties and corresponding protocols)

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 11 December 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m. . . . . 73rd plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly: report of the Credentials Committee (A/57/634) . . . . . [3 (b)]
2. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples . . . . . [19]
   (a) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples on its work during 2002 (A/57/23 (Part I, Part II, Part II/Add.1 and Part III))
   (b) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/57/73, A/57/206)
   (c) Draft resolutions (A/57/23 (Part III), Chapter XIII, Section G, para. 7; A/57/L.52)
3. Effects of atomic radiation: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/518) . . . . . [74]
4. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/519) . . . . . [75]
5. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/520) . . . . . [76]
6. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/521) [77]
7. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/522) . . . . . [78]
8. Questions relating to information: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/523) . . . . . [79]
9. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/524) . . . . . [80]
10. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories; implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/525) . . . . . [81 and 19]

11. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations; report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/526) [82 and 12]

12. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/527) . . . . . [83]

13. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/57/528) . . . . . [19]

14. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: draft resolutions (A/57/23 (Part III), Chapter XIII, Section G, para. 7; A/57/L.52) . . . . . [19]

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

3 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 21) (organized by the delegation of Denmark, on behalf of the European Union)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 21), organized by the delegation of Denmark, on behalf of the European Union, will be held on Wednesday, 11 December 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 52 (Strengthening of the United Nations system)

Informal consultations of interested delegations on the draft resolution under agenda item 52 (Strengthening of the United Nations system), chaired by H.E. Mr. Abdul Mejid Hussein (Ethiopia), will be held on Wednesday, 11 December 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Delegations are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level.

Informal consultations on agenda item 21 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under agenda item 21, chaired by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg), will be held on Wednesday, 11 December 2002, at 5 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Working Group II of the Disarmament Commission

There will be an informal meeting of Working Group II of the Disarmament Commission, dealing with agenda item 5 (Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms), on Wednesday, 11 December 2002, at 3.30 p.m. sharp in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All delegations are invited to attend.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The 243rd (closed) meeting of the Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait will take place on Wednesday, 11 December 2002, at 3.30 p.m.[1] in Conference Room 7.

[1] The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested Members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately following the meeting. Following the oral briefing, the Chairman will give a briefing to the Press.

Economic and Social Council

In preparation for the resumed 2002 session (8-24 January 2003), the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations (closed) on Monday, 16 December and Tuesday, 17 December, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., and on Wednesday, 18 December 2002, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

The Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court will resume its first session at United Nations Headquarters from 3 to 7 February and from 21 to 23 April 2003.

Non-governmental organizations

Pursuant to rule 93 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly of States Parties, non-governmental organizations invited to the Rome Conference, registered to the Preparatory Commission for the International Criminal Court, or having consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, whose activities are relevant to the activities of the Court and other non-governmental organizations invited by the Assembly may, through their designated representatives, *inter alia,* attend meetings of the Assembly. Accordingly, non-governmental organizations eligible for accreditation may submit directly, or through the Coalition for an International Criminal Court, a written request with the names of their representatives to attend the resumed sessions of the Assembly. These requests should be addressed to Ms. Mona Khalil, Legal Officer, Office of the Legal Counsel (room S-3420B; or fax 1 (212) 963-6430), at the latest by Wednesday, 22 January 2003.

Announcements

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The General Assembly will take up the reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) on Wednesday morning, 11 December 2002. For ease of reference, delegations may also wish to refer to the checklist of reports of the Committee contained in document A/C.4/57/INF/3.

Final list of Third Committee draft proposals

Copies of the final list of the Third Committee draft proposals are available in room S-2950. The list is also available on the Web site the General Assembly (Third Committee) at the following address: www.un.org/ga/57.

Preparations for the forty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women (3-14 March 2003), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following thematic issues that will be taken up by the Commission: (a) Participation and access of women to the media, and information and communication technologies and their impact on and use as an instrument for the advancement and empowerment of women; (b) Women's human rights and elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls as defined in the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century". Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1244), no later than *today, 10 December 2002*, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Wednesday, 4 December 2002, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Friday, 6 December 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

30th meeting

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone . . . . . [134]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/57/619).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/57/633).

The Committee began its general discussion on this item and heard statements by the representatives of Nigeria and South Africa.

The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin as soon as possible under the chairmanship of Mr. Haile Selassie Getachew (Ethiopia), Rapporteur of the Committee.

Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 . . . . . [112]

The representatives of Denmark (on behalf of the European Union) and Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made statements.

Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/57/23 and A/57/7/Add.17)

In the absence of speakers, the Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would begin that afternoon, Friday, 6 December, under the chairmanship of Mr. Ayman Elgammal (Egypt).

First performance report (A/57/616 and A/57/7/Add.16)

The Committee resumed its general discussion on this question and heard statements by the representatives of China and Cuba.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would begin that afternoon, Friday, 6 December, under the chairmanship of Mr. Eduardo Ramos (Portugal).

United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/57/479 and A/57/7/Add.15)

The representative of Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.38.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Denmark (on behalf of the European Union), Canada, Mexico, Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Nigeria, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Pakistan.

The Controller and the Secretary of the Committee replied to questions raised.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and South Africa.

The Chairman also made a statement.

Monday, 9 December 2002

Security Council

4657th meeting *The situation in Angola*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2002/1331, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2002/1331) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2002/1331) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1448 (2002)

4658th (closed) meeting *The situation in the Central African Republic*

The Security Council met in private. The following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4658th meeting, held in private on 9 December 2002, the Security Council considered the item entitled 'The situation in the Central African Republic'.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the distinguished Prime Minister of the Central African Republic, His Excellency Mr. Martin Ziguele, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The members of the Council and the Prime Minister of the Central African Republic had a constructive discussion."

4659th (closed) meeting *Letter dated 29 November 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Chad to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2002/1317)*

The Security Council met in private. The following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4659th meeting, held in private on 9 December 2002, the Security Council considered the item entitled 'Letter dated 29 November 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Chad to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2002/1317)'.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Chad, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The members of the Council and the representative of Chad had a constructive discussion."

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

70th plenary meeting

Oceans and the law of the sea [25]: *commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea*

The Acting President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Ugo Mifsud Bonnici, former President of Malta (to pay special tribute to the late Permanent Representative of Malta, H.E. Arvid Pardo); H.E. Mr. Tommy Koh, President of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea; H.E. Mr. Denis Dangue Réwaka (Gabon) (on behalf of the African States); H.E. Mr. Koichi Haraguchi (Japan) (on behalf of the Asian States); H.E. Mr. Movses Abelian (Armenia) (on behalf of the Eastern European States); H.E. Mr. Milos Alcalay (Venezuela) (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States); H.E. Mr. Pierre Schori (Sweden) (on behalf of the Western European States and other States); H.E. Mr. Don MacKay, President of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea; H.E. Mr. Martin Belinga-Eboutou, President of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority; H.E. Mr. Satya Nandan, Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority; Judge Raymond Ranjeva, member of the International Court of Justice (on behalf of Judge Gilbert Guillaume, President of the International Court of Justice); Judge Alexander Yankov, member of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (on behalf of Judge Dolliver Nelson, President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea); and Mr. Peter Croker, Chairman of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf.

The Acting President declared closed the commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

Main Committees

Second Committee

41st meeting

Report of the Economic and Social Council . . . . . [12]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.39 and A/C.2/57/L.58

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morroco), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.58, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.39.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.58.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.58, draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.39 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

Macroeconomic policy questions: science and technology . . . . . [84 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.3 and A/C.2/57/L.61

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morroco), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.61, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.3, and made a correction to the title of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.61, as orally corrected.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.61, draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.3 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly . . . . [95]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.30 and A/C.2/57/L.59

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.59, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.30, and amended the text of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.59, as orally amended.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.59, draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.30 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 95.

Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries . . . . . [96]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.31 and A/C.2/57/L.60

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Bruno van der Pluijm (Belgium), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.60, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.31, and corrected the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.60, as orally corrected.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.60, draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.31 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 96.

Additional sponsors

The Chairman announced additional sponsors to the following draft resolutions: A/C.2/57/L.45 (item 87 (a)): Israel, Jamaica and Mongolia; and A/C.2/57/L.49 (item 86): Jordan and Chile.

Organization of work

The representative of the Budget Division made a statement.

The representatives of Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and the United States made statements.

The representative of the Budget Division responded to queries raised.

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Fifth Committee

31st meeting

The representative of Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Denmark (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, Australia, Cuba and New Zealand made statements.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, the Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division, the Secretary of the Committee and the Controller replied to questions raised.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [111]

Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/57/85, A/57/16 and A/57/636)

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/57/85).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/57/636).

The Committee began its general discussion on this question and heard statements by the representatives of Australia (on behalf of Canada, New Zealand and Australia), the United States and Denmark (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta, Turkey, Iceland and Norway).

Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 . . . . . [112]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.16/Rev.1: Future operations of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/57/24 and A/57/7/Add.18)

The Committee resumed its general discussion on this question and heard statements by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Rio Group), Cuba, the Dominican Republic, the Republic of Korea and Canada.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.7: Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (A/C.5/57/26 and A/57/7/Add.19)

The Committee resumed its general discussion on this question and heard statements by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Rio Group), Canada and Norway.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/57/L.27: United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (A/C.5/57/30 and A/57/7/Add.21)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.48: The situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/57/27 and A/57/7/Add.23)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/57/L.20: The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/57/28 and A/57/7/Add.20)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.70: Khmer Rouge trials (A/C.5/57/29 and A/57/7/Add.22)

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/57/30, A/C.5/57/27, A/C.5/57/28 and A/C.5/57/29).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/57/7/Add.21, A/57/7/Add.23, A/57/7/Add.20 and A/57/7/Add.22).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998

Accession: Ukraine (6 December 2002)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Ratification: United Republic of Tanzania (6 December 2002)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Ratification: United Republic of Tanzania (6 December 2002)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Ratification: United Republic of Tanzania (6 December 2002)[1]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Montego Bay, 10 December 1982

Accession: Armenia (9 December 2002)[1]

Ratification: Qatar (9 December 2002)[1]

Ratification: Tuvalu (9 December 2002)[1]

Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982. New York, 28 July 1994

Accession: Armenia (9 December 2002)[1]

Consent to be bound: Qatar (9 December 2002)[1]

Consent to be bound: Tuvalu (9 December 2002)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Signature: United Arab Emirates (9 December 2002)

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Signature: Japan (9 December 2002)

Signature: Lebanon (9 December 2002)

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Signature: Japan (9 December 2002)

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001

Signature: China (9 December 2002)

Signature: Japan (9 December 2002

Other announcements

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum *today*, 10 December 2002, from from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1. Presentations will be made by Mr. David Malone, President of the International Peace Academy; H.E. Sir Jeremy Greenstock, Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom; and H.E. Mr. Kishore Mahbubani, Permanent Representative of Singapore on "The Issue of Terrorism and the United Nations Response".

Launch of the International Year of Freshwater, 2003

On Thursday, 12 December 2002, the United Nations will mark the launch of the International Year of Freshwater, 2003, with a panel event entitled "The Challenges of Freshwater: A Dialogue" in Conference Room 4. The event will start at 9.45 a.m. with a video related to freshwater. Ms. Louise Fréchette, Deputy Secretary-General, will make opening remarks at 10 a.m. H.E. Mr. Talbak Nazarov, Foreign Minister of Tajikistan, will then make a statement, followed by the panel dialogue on meeting the freshwater challenges. The panel will feature Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, H.E. Ms. June Clarke (Barbados), Vice-President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Milos Alcalay (Venezuela), Chairman of the Group of 77 (and China), and Mr. Gourisankar Ghosh, Executive Director, Water Supply and

Sanitation Collaborative Council. Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, will moderate the dialogue. A performance of water songs by Pete Seeger and Bob Reid, and the Children's Choir of the United Nations International School will conclude the programme. The entire programme will be Webcast live at www.un.org/webcast. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. The event is organized by the Department of Public Information, in cooperation with the Department for Economic and Social Affairs. For further information, please contact Ms. Marsha Brewster, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-8590); Ms. Isolda Oca, NGO Section, DPI (tel. 1 (212) 963-8305); or Mr. Thomas Lillge, NGO Section, DPI (tel. 1 (212) 963-7709).

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
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